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DRAFT FINAL PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT, NAVAL AIR WEAPONS STATION (NAWS), CHINA LAKE, CALIFORNIA, DATED NOVEMBER 2005

Dear Mr. Cornell and Ms. Shepherd:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), have reviewed the document titled "Draft Final Preliminary Assessment, Naval Air Weapons Station, China Lake, California" dated November 2005. The document was prepared for the Department of the Navy, Naval Facility Engineering Command Southwest Division by Malcolm Pirnie. The document encompassed five ranges/sites at NAWS: the Sierra Desert Gun Club Small Arms Range, the China Lake Police Department Pistol Range, the Bore Site Range and Target Butt at Armitage Field, the Bombing Crater Site (AOC 36) and the Armitage Field Skeet Range.

DTSC has no further comments on this document. Future submittals should be provided in accordance with the procedures agreed to in the Federal Facility Site Remediation Agreement.

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If you have any questions or wish to discuss any of the issues identified in DTSC's comments, please contact me at (916) 255-3668 or lracca@dtsc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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